### Free shopping for shore, afloat commands



PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT – Rene Ibasco (left) works with SH2(SW) Charlie Rojas in Fleet and Industrial Supply Center, Yokosuka's Hazardous Material Minimization Center. In this facility, crews store, organize and recycle hazardous material for all of Commander, Fleet Activities, Yokosuka.

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f you've spent any time around Navy ships, you've probably seen and smelled your share of gray paint. Now, imagine how much paint and cleaning agents the entire Navy uses, then visualize how much hazardous material goes into the waste stream.

If your command uses items such as plaster, antifreeze, detergent, floor wax, or even laser jet cartridges, it could be saving money by simply logging onto a new Internet site, locating the material, and obtaining it for free. In fact, many on

For CFAY, the centralized point for this is the Hazardous Material Minimization (HAZMIN) Center located in Building 4808.

Jedhia Bottinelli, Fleet and Industrial Supply Center, Yokosuka's regional hazardous material management director, says the consolidation of the work into one center helps both afloat and shore commands.

"Each one of the commands is procuring its own hazardous material. Each command is *storing* its own hazardous material. When you consolidate all that into one function, now you have one center that procures the hazardous material (HAZMAT), tracks the HAZMAT, and does the authorized users list," explained Bottinelli. "So, now you save labor dollars and you enhance efficiencies.

material management deputy, says this program helps commands across the globe. For example, commands in Yokosuka could easily access unused supplies in Atsugi, Sasebo or Diego Garcia.

"It's free material, and we ship it out to them," said Grays. "They provide us a transportation account code, and we go ahead and send it to them. Likewise, we can look at their listings, and then we can get re-use materials from them."

Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Japan (CNFJ) now has an instruction (COMNAVFORJAPAN Instruction 5100.6) that details how commands can get on board with this HAZMIN management program.

"Since it's come out, we've gotten a



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## FISC supports Chancellorsville

The crew of *USS Chancellorsville* (CG 62) recently called on Fleet and Industrial Supply Center (FISC), Yokosuka's fuel department to assist them with two separate issues.

The first time, *Chancellorsville* needed its fuel tested to get underway. Shortly after doing so, Sailors realized that they needed to take the Aegis guided missile cruiser into dry-dock for urgent repairs. This meant the ship would need to be drained of that fuel.

According to Cmdr. Daniel Seep, the supply officer for *Chancellorsville*, FISC, Yokosuka employees worked hard to support the fleet and its state of readiness.

"The fuel department and the contracting department 'worked magic' to support us and to find contractors to support our after-hour needs," said Seep. "They have always provided top-notch service to forward deployed ships, and have always found a way to solve our needs, and provide prompt and professional service."

# RECYCLING THE GOODS – SH1(SW/AW) Imelda V. Stepanian (below, left), supervisor at Yokosuka's Hazardous Material Minimization Center, reviews some of the products that will be reissued to other customers. These items include paint, cleaners and computer ink cartridges.

DIRECT SUPPORT – SK1(SW) Leandro Cuenca (below, right), USS Kitty Hawk (CV 63) logistics support representative stationed at Fleet and Industrial Supply Center, Yokosuka, directs trucks coming onto Commander, Fleet Activities, Yokosuka, to help offload the aircraft carrier upon its Sept. 7 return.

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Commander, Fleet Activities, Yokosuka (CFAY) have already taken advantage of this program.

The Consolidated Hazardous Material Inventory Reutilization and Management Program has significantly reduced the amount of hazardous material that's procured, stocked and distributed to work centers. This, in turn, cuts down the waste.

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"We also help the ships do their offloads," added Bottinelli. "Material that before automatically went into the waste stream, we now screen. If it's still good, usable material, it goes in the HAZMIN Center, and it goes out to the next ship that needs it, so there's a huge cost-savings."

Henry Grays, the regional hazardous

lot of calls from other people wanting to know how they get into this program, and that's a good thing," said Bottinelli.

The CNFJ instruction, as well as a guide to HAZMAT acronyms and the weekly free issues listing, can be found at this website:

www.cnfj.navy.mil/FiscHazmat/ Hazminweb/Hazmat.htm.

